

Thanks to a \$12 million loan through Industrial Development Agency Bonds, Reece was able to emerge from its somewhat-cramped Carnegie Hill quarters and into a facility of unprecedented size and technology in July 2006. On October 26, the Reece School will officially name its new building the Elise M. Besthoff Building of the Reece School.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my distinguished colleagues join me in recognizing the outstanding contributions to the children and families of New York City made by the Reece School.

**HONORING CHARLES L. FALLIS
UPON HIS RETIREMENT AS
NARFE NATIONAL PRESIDENT**

HON. TOM DAVIS

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 29, 2006

Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Charles L. Fallis, who is retiring from his post as president of National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association (NARFE) after 4 years.

Mr. Fallis' more than 35 years of public service to the Federal Government began when he joined the U.S. Navy and served in both World War II and the Korean War. He commenced his Federal civilian service in Cincinnati, Ohio as a substitute railway mail clerk PFS Level-5. Rising through the Postal Service, Mr. Fallis was promoted to the rank of Regional Assistant Postmaster General, Eastern Region, which included the states of New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia.

A Postal Inspector for 13 years, Fallis conducted complex criminal investigations, apprehended many scores of postal law violators, presented investigative evidence and testimony in U.S. Courts and audited and inspected major post offices. As Regional Assistant Postmaster General he was in charge of regional operations, oversaw construction of multi-million dollar post offices, directed a large staff, and held oversight responsibility for annual budgets of over \$1 billion.

Mr. Fallis has been a NARFE member since 1985, first as an active participant in his local chapter. He then went on to serve two terms as First Vice President and two terms as President of Roanoke Valley Chapter 111 in Roanoke, Virginia. In addition, Mr. Fallis was active in the Virginia Federation of Chapters where he served multiple terms in the positions of Area Vice President, Vice President, and Federation President.

Mr. Fallis participated in NARFE activities at the national level as well, serving as chairman of the Resolutions Committee at the 1996 National Convention in Houston. He then served two terms as NARFE National Treasurer and two terms as NARFE National President.

His tenure at NARFE has proved successful in preserving benefits for retired and active Federal employees, and the addition of a visual and dental benefit to the Federal Employees Health Benefit Program (FEHBP).

Throughout his impressive career, Mr. Fallis and his wife Betty raised four children.

Mr. Speaker, in closing, I ask my colleagues to join me in applauding Charles Fallis and

congratulating him on his retirement after a distinguished career.

**PAYING TRIBUTE TO CARL E.
LOVELL**

HON. JON C. PORTER

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 29, 2006

Mr. PORTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Carl E. Lovell, who succumbed to cancer on Thursday, September 21, 2006.

Carl served the people of the City of Las Vegas and the citizens of Nevada in a number of profound ways. He was widely recognized during his professional career as the youngest City Attorney in the Nation for the City of North Las Vegas and the youngest elected City Attorney in the Nation at age 28, for the City of Las Vegas. After starting his own firm in 1970, Carl became very active in the international arena for Estate and Asset Protection Planning, even representing the United States in international trade and law talks with Beijing, China in 1987 and tried cases before the United States Supreme Court.

Carl was very involved in a number of civic organizations. He was a founding member and President of the Nevada Donor Network, Vice President and Director of the Southern Nevada Better Business Bureau, Chairman of the the National Consumer Affairs Committee for the National City Attorneys Association.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to honor the life of Carl E. Lovell. His professional success and philanthropic efforts should serve as an example for us all.

TRIBUTE TO WBBM-TV

HON. DANNY K. DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 29, 2006

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, congratulating WBBM-TV and the Advertising Council for their collaboration to communicate important messages to residents of the Illinois 7th Congressional District and the Public-At-Large.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to note that WBBM-TV has been singled out by the Advertising Council Inc., for its outstanding display of public service through the pro-bono placement and airing of Public Service Announcements.

I am also pleased to note that for more than 60 years, the Ad Council has marshaled the resources to deliver thousands of inspirational messages to millions of people. These messages have dealt with under-age drinking, childhood obesity, early childhood development, obesity and urging parents to use booster seats.

Mr. Speaker, this collaboration has produced very positive results and I take my hat off to Mr. Joseph Ahn, Vice President and General Manager of WBBM-TV and Ms. Peggy Conlon, President and CEO of the Advertising Council, Inc.

Mr. Speaker, this collaboration and its results are a prime example of what can happen

when two well-meaning and well-run business entities team up for the public interest, good things happen.

**IN HONOR OF 2006 LILLY RE-
INTEGRATION AWARD HONORS
CONNECTIONS COMMUNITY SUP-
PORT PROGRAMS, INC.**

HON. MICHAEL N. CASTLE

OF DELAWARE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 29, 2006

Mr. CASTLE. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to pay tribute to Connections Community Support Programs Inc., a Delaware non-profit organization providing housing, treatment, and support services to persons living with and recovering from mental health and substance use conditions, homelessness, and HIV/AIDS.

Connections Community Support Programs was selected as the First Place Winner of the 2006 Lilly Reintegration Award for Housing, from Eli Lilly and Company. This is also the 10th anniversary of Eli Lilly and Company presenting this award that recognizes outstanding achievements made by mental health organizations.

This national award honors efforts to improve services and decrease the stigma of mental illness. Connections Inc. is particularly proud of its housing programs, specifically the development of supportive housing for people with low-incomes and special needs. The creation of more than 300 units of affordable housing for this target population is highly commendable.

Connections mission from its genesis in 1985, has been to provide a comprehensive array of community-based treatment, support, housing and rehabilitation services for people recovering from and living with mental health and substance use conditions, homelessness and HIV/AIDS. The State of Delaware greatly benefits from the services and programs Connections offers at nearly 30 locations in all three Delaware counties.

Congratulations to Connections Community Support Programs, Inc for being recognized for their dedication and hard work. I am confident they will continue to provide this valuable service to our community and make a difference in the lives of there patients.

**PAYING TRIBUTE TO
CHRISTOPHER TANTILLO**

HON. THOMAS G. TANCREDO

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 29, 2006

Mr. TANCREDO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to one of my constituents, Mr. Christopher Tantillo of Highlands Ranch, Colorado. Mr. Tantillo has been accepted to the People to People World Leadership Forum here in our Nation's Capitol. This year marks the 50th anniversary of the People to People program founded by President Eisenhower in 1956.

Mr. Tantillo has displayed academic excellence, community involvement and leadership potential. All students chosen for the program